

KIRKLINTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a **VIRTUAL** meeting of Kirklington Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 24 November 2020**.

PRESENT

M Jack (Chairperson), I Armstrong, Mrs B Irving, Mrs M Story, D Allan, J Marston and Mrs N Spedding

Councillor J Mallinson was also attended the meeting.

APOLOGIES

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REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

None received.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

MINUTES of the Meeting held on 22 September 2020 were approved as a correct record and duly signed by the Chairperson.

MATTERS ARISING

(a) Play area - Monthly inspections

Monthly Inspection Report forms had been previously circulated to D Allan, Mrs B Irving and Mrs M Story)

(b) Play area – Provision of some additional play equipment.

A detailed submission from HAGS setting out the cost of a number of options to provide some additional items of equipment has been previously sent to all Members.

Following a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the preferred option was to replace the existing Flat Seat Swings with a structure which would provide a Basket Seat Swing and two new Flat Seat Swings at a cost of £3314.00 (Supply only). D Wigham to be asked to provide an estimate of cost for the removal of the existing swing structure and the installation of the new one. Mike Jack agreed to contact D Wigham.

(c) Play area – Condition of the Flat Swing Seats

The condition of the two existing seats was commented upon in an Inspection Report by Mrs Spedding. As these swings would be replaced if the proposed new facility went ahead it would not be necessary to replace these seats, therefore it was agreed that any decision on this would be deferred.

(d) Play Area – repairs to the seats on the Gringo Swing

It was reported that the missing bolts had been replaced and the damaged paintwork repaired.

(e) Speeding and volume of traffic on the A6071

The Clerk reported that he had written to the Highways Authority asking them to consider the possibility of extending the footpath and widening the existing stretch along the A6071 from the crossroads at Smithfield towards the crossroads at the old Fir Ends School.

After providing the Highways Authority with some additional information they responded by confirming that it involved a considerable amount of work and a sizeable investment. However, the County Council is currently looking at Local Cycling and Walking routes to identify where they could maximise an investment opportunity as part of a Government initiative. Gareth Scott stated that he would make sure that the consultants working on the project were made aware of the Parish Council's concerns about this section of the A6071.

The Clerk was asked to follow up the issue of speeding and the Parish Council's wish to have some speed indicator signs installed with Kevin Crawley, Traffic Manager, at the Highways Authority. Councillor John Mallinson asked to be kept in the loop.

(f) Parking on or near the crossroads

The Clerk confirmed that a letter had been sent to all the residents living near or adjacent to the crossroads regarding concerns about parking and the resultant poor visibility for drivers at the crossroads.

(g) Play area – Improvements to the main access

Mike Jack reported that he had not yet been able to arrange for the existing gate post to be removed to enable the new facility to be installed by Tudor Metal Craft. Natalie Spedding agreed to ask Andrew Spedding to help and to liaise with Mike Jack.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2020/21

The income and expenditure position compared against the approved budget as on 24 November 2020 was noted.

PAYMENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND RECEIPTS

(1) The following payment was approved:(a) Invoice from HAGS for Bolts and Paint - **£48.00**

(2) To note the following receipts:

(a) None

(3) The following request for financial assistance was denied in line with the Parish Council's approved policy:

(a) A request for a donation from the Great North Air Ambulance.

BUDGET AND PARISH PRECEPT 2020/21

The Clerk presented a draft budget for 2021/22 which itemised proposed expenditure amounting to £2483.00 and an Income projection of £2501.00. Balances as at 31 March 2022 were projected to be £2953.00. Following a discussion it was agreed that:

- (a) The Budget for 2021/22, as presented, be approved;
- (b) Grant Applications re any proposed Capital Projects be submitted as required;
- (c) A Parish Precept of £2500.00 for 2021/22 be approved and submitted to Carlisle City Council.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Application No. 20/0580 (Mr A Smith)

Erection of Agricultural Workers Dwelling (Outline) at Low Meadow, Kirklington, Carlisle.

The Parish Council agreed not to make any representations on this proposed development.

(b) Application No. 20/0665 (Mr K Little)

Erection of 1no. dwelling in lieu of the consented conversion scheme (Application 19/0775) on land west of Fergushill Cottage (Farwood Lodge), Kirklington, Carlisle.

The Parish Council agreed not to make any representations on this proposed development.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM

A request for the Parish Council's response on the proposals for Local Government Reform was noted.

CLIMATE CHANGE – CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL'S STRATEGY

A request for comments on the proposed strategy was noted.

STANDARDS MATTER 2 – PUBLIC CONSULTATION

A request for comments was noted.

CORRESPONDENCE

A schedule of the correspondence received since the last meeting was noted.

DATES OF MEETINGS DURING 2021

The dates of Parish Council meetings during 2021 were agreed as follows:

23 February
11 May – AGM and Parish Meeting
13th July
21 September
30 November - Budget and Precept Meeting

CORRESPONDENCE received since the last meeting

CUMBRIA ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

- County Circular – September/October 2020 (**Copies attached**)
- Annual Report – 2020 and AGM papers
- Training Opportunities
- Christmas Present Appeal (Already circulated)
- Press Release re Lockdown (Already circulated)
- Kind Cumbria Day (Already circulated)
- Cumbria County Council – Members briefing (Already circulated)
- ACT Gazette – Autumn Winter 2020 (Already circulated)
- Various Health notifications (Already circulated)
- Nature Recovery talks (Already circulated)
- General Data Protection Regulations
- Cumbria CVS – Get into volunteering
- Carlisle Winter Resilience Event (Already circulated)
- St. Cuthbert's GV – Consultation (Already circulated)

CARLISLE CITY COUNCIL

- Agendas and Minutes of Carlisle City Council Meetings

OTHER

- Forestry Investment Zone Pilot North East Cumbria – Forestry Commission